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We want to sell a lot of remnants in

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and  
Men's Furnishing Goods.

The former are offered at 50c and 75c on the dollar.  
The latter most all go at 50c, especially all 50c Neckwear at 25c.  
\$1.00 and \$1.50 Fancy Shirts, broken lots and irregular sizes, at 25c on the dollar.  
To those in want we say:

"Strike while the iron is hot."  
"Make hay while the sun shines."

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## MARKED DOWN SALE OF FINE SEASONABLE GOODS.

Closing up our holiday business of this year, we offer all our

Fur Capes,  
Fur Collarettes,  
Fur Scarfs,  
Muffs,  
Cloth Jackets,  
Golf Capes,  
Tailor Made Suits and Skirts,

AT

25 PER CENT LESS THAN REGULAR PRICES.

These goods are all new and very desirable.

GEO. R. TAYLOR COMPANY.

## THERE'S NO SCHEME

Back of Any Interest the Riverside Iron Works Officials

### ARE TAKING IN THE MOVEMENT

Looking to the Keeping of the Proposed Additions Contemplated by the National Tube Company, and Which Will be Lost to Wheeling Unless Some of the Property Owners Show a Reasonable Spirit.

Business men and citizens generally in Wheeling and Benwood are looking forward with interest to what will develop from the meeting of the chamber of commerce and citizens, to be called for one evening next week, at which to consider the situation with reference to the contemplated improvements of the National Tube Company at its Riverside iron works plant. It is generally realized that, unless the property owners in North Benwood who are holding out for exorbitant prices for their real estate, can be induced to take reasonable prices, the improvement will be lost to Wheeling.

In certain quarters it has been stated that the improvements will come whether the property owners come to reasonable terms or not. In support of this it has been cited that the local Riverside officials are doing all in their power to make the chamber of commerce meeting a success, especially in the way of furnishing data for the meeting to work on. Nothing could be farther from the truth. It should be remembered that the local officials no longer control the policy of the concern; possibly if the control was in the hands of Wheeling people the improvements would be made even if exorbitant prices had to be paid. But it is the executive board of the National Tube Company that has the disposition of this matter, and it is just as Colonel Hearne so pertinently said through the *Intelligencer* last Friday:

The improvements were settled upon for Wheeling on the showing I was able to make before our executive board, but this showing could not be realized if we were to accede to the demands being made upon us. The executive board has not the same interest in Wheeling's welfare that I have, and which made me desirous of bringing the improvements here. The members of the board have other personal preferences, and if I cannot show that it is a good business move to improve the Riverside, most certainly the improvements will go elsewhere, and I will say in all candor that I have all but given up the struggle.

In other words, there is no sentiment in this matter; Wheeling must either make good the showing originally presented by Colonel Hearne to his executive board, or the plant is lost to this community.

The chamber of commerce meeting has not yet been called, but Secretary Hazlett has said it would be held one evening next week.

### PERSONAL NOTES.

Going and Coming of Wheeling People and Visitors.

Milton Bastable, of Buckhannon, is at the Windsor.

H. A. Wright, of Sistersville, was in the city yesterday.

T. S. Snodgrass and wife, of Brink, W. Va., are at the Howell.

Mrs. C. E. Schenck, of the Island, is visiting in Johnstown, Pa.

W. T. Potts and wife, of Piney, W. Va., are at the Grand Central.

H. C. Shinn and O. W. Shinn, of Shinnston, are guests at the Stamm.

Charles Brand, of the East End, is able to be out after a two weeks' illness.

Hon. A. B. Fleming, of Fairmont, was in the city yesterday, registered at the McLeure.

Mrs. Martha A. Taylor has returned to Pittsburgh, after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. William Hare, of Twentieth street.

Z. T. Underwood, who has been chief clerk of the Grand Central since the hotel was built, has resigned his position, and yesterday left for Marietta, to enter the service of the Bellevue. Mr. Underwood was at one time with the Windsor here. He is a genial gentleman, and a great favorite with the traveling public.

### In Clerk Robertson's Office.

Yesterday, in Clerk Robertson's office, the following were recorded:

Deed made June 2, 1899, by Greenwood cemetery to Lettia, George and Edward Dittmore, transfers lot 215; consideration, \$95.

Deed made December 23, 1899, by G. R. E. Gilchrist, trustee, to Gracie and Adella Cook; consideration, \$2,150; transfers part of lot 181, Orloff Zane's addition, Island, and lots 98 and 97 in Zane's Orchard addition, Island.

Deed made December 27, 1899, by J. P. Rogers and D. M. Thornburgh, special commissioners, to J. W. Belts; consideration, \$2,000; transfers 31 acres on Peters' run.

Deed made December 11, 1899, by Eugene F. Stamm to Elizabeth Hepperdiesel; consideration, \$200; transfers north half of lot 98 on east side of Market street, between Eighth and Ninth streets.

Deed made September 18, 1899, by Henry Helmbright and wife and others to Joseph Korn; consideration, \$1,600; transfers part of lot 88, corner of Seventh and Market streets.

Deed made November 29, 1899, by D. H. Taylor and wife to Jacob Stab; consideration, \$1,200; transfers a lot on Twelfth and Lind streets and Alley H. Marriage licenses were issued to the following:

Elmer Venaman, aged twenty-two, Della Wise, aged twenty-two, of Elm Grove.

Thomas J. Sellers, aged twenty-five, of Middlebourne, W. Va., and Emma Umpleby, aged twenty-one, of Friendly, W. Va.

Rev. W. A. Hartman, pastor of the Second English Lutheran church, was licensed to perform the marriage ceremony; bond, \$1,500, with J. L. Morgan surety.

### FAMILY WASHING.

Rough Dry Washed, Starched and Dried 5 cents per pound.

Flat Work, Washed and Ironed, 5 cents per pound.

All hand work finished 10 cents per pound. At LUTZ BROS' Home Steam Laundry.

PAY your water rent on or before December 30 and save 10 per cent discount. Office open evenings until 8 o'clock.

### UNDER THE "BIG" CLOCK.

City council meets this evening in special session for the purpose of passing on the last committee bills of the year, and to pass the three months' appropriation ordinance, providing for the needs of the several city departments for the months of January, February and March, on the basis of one-fourth of the appropriations for 1899. This is the usual thing—a mere formality—owing to the fact that the finance committee of council does not formulate the annual appropriation ordinance until spring, and sometimes not before mid-summer. It is imperative that a quorum be had this evening.

City Receiver Forgey is sending out to the fire and life insurance agents of the city blanks on which to fill the amount of premiums collected from policy holders during the six months ending December 31, 1899, on which the city collects a tax of one-half of one per cent. Before Mr. Forgey entered the receiver's office this little matter did not receive much attention, and the average yearly collections footed about \$400. In 1897 Mr. Forgey collected \$1,200, in 1898 the same amount, and in 1899 the amount increased to \$1,316, representing fire and life insurance premiums paid by Wheeling people to the amount of \$262,120. Agents' commissions on these premiums were about \$40,000, so it will be seen that life and fire insurance is a pretty good business in Wheeling.

The county board of commissioners met yesterday in monthly auditing session, but transacted no business aside from auditing bills. The regular monthly meeting of the board occurs next Monday—New Year's day.

Saturday, the 30th, is the last day of the discount period in the water board office. Many consumers are taking advantage of the discount during the last few days of the month.

Now come the annual statements of the several city departments. The first to make its appearance will be that of the gas board, on which Secretary Schul is now working.

### DIED.

ARKLE—On Tuesday, December 26, 1899, at 3:20 p. m., JOSEPH A. ARKLE, in the 56th year of his age.

Funeral from his family residence, No. 4117 Jacob street, Friday morning at 8:30 o'clock. Requiem high mass at Church of Immaculate Conception.

BAYHA—At the family residence, Stackyard Hollow, on Wednesday, December 27, 1899, at 4:45 o'clock p. m., ANNA CAROLINE, wife of Frederick Bayha, in her 72d year.

Funeral notice hereafter.

### UNDERTAKING.

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### YELLOW JOURNAL SENSATION

Could Not be Worked Up From Accidental Death of Marion Metcalf.

Coroner Beetham, of Belmont county, and Drs. Minesinger and Boone yesterday held an examination of the body of Marion Metcalf, who died at the Belaire city hall from the effects of exposure Christmas night and the injuries sustained in his fall on the trestle of the Belaire steel works. The body was turned over to the undertaker and the remains will be buried to-day, his brother and sons having made necessary arrangements for the funeral at Georgetown. There was little room for any sensational stories concerning the matter. It was simply one of the un-

fortunate and sad occurrences that sometimes occurs, and the grave will cover it all.

### MISS VERNON INJURED

Seriously in an Accident on the Post-office Steps Yesterday.

Last evening at 6:30 o'clock, Miss Vernon, a sister of Mrs. W. J. Harkness, wife of the pastor of the Chapline street M. E. church, fell on the stone steps at the postoffice corner and sustained a fractured lower limb. The city ambulance was called, and the sufferer was moved to the Harkness home on Chapline street, South Side, where Mr. H. P. Linss was soon in attendance. While Miss Vernon's injury is painful, she will eventually recover.

BEECHAM'S PILLS for Stomach and Liver Ills.

### MUTUAL SAVINGS BANK.

"Rented Houses Are Not Homes."—Poor Richard.

The MUTUAL SAVINGS BANK, No. 1521 Market street, has money to loan on real estate, in sums large or small, on easy terms of interest and repayment. No commissions or premiums are charged. Principal and interest can be reduced semi-annually.

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## Small Lots Must Go At Once,

irrespective of cost or value—now offered at mere fractions of their intrinsic value. Now is a time when loads of money can be saved by Wheeling and vicinity folks.

## Same Credit Extended As On Regular Prices.

Odd Parlor Suites.  
Odd Bedsteads.  
Odd Chairs.  
Odd Tables.  
Odd Ornaments.  
Odd Book Cases.  
Odd Pictures.  
Odd Chiffoniers.  
Odd Dinner Sets.  
Odd Art Furniture.  
Odd Toilet Sets.  
Odd Lamps.  
Odd Rockers.

All at about cost—many less.

## Ladies' Jackets.

\$1.98 A few of last season's \$3.00 to \$7.00 Jackets at \$1.98.  
\$2.98 A few of last season's \$10.00 to \$14.00 Jackets for \$2.98.  
\$3.98 A few of this season's \$5.00 Jackets go at \$3.98.  
\$5.98 A few of this season's \$10.00 Jackets go now at \$5.98.  
\$7.98 A few of this season's \$15.00, \$14.00 and \$12.00 Jackets at \$7.98.  
\$10.98 A few of this season's \$18.00, \$16.00 and \$15.00 Jackets at \$10.98.

## Capes.

25c A few of last season's \$2.00, \$1.50 and \$1.00 Capes at 25c.  
50c A few of this season's \$1.00 Capes go at 50c each.  
90c A few of last season's \$3.00 Capes go now at 90c.  
\$1.98 For \$3.00 Plush and Cloth Capes.  
\$2.98 For \$5.00 Plush and Cloth Capes.  
\$4.98 For \$8.00 and \$10.00 Plush and Fancy Capes.  
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